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The New Issues Reviewed by Hon. Wm. S. Groesbeck.

Proceedings of the Democratic State Conventions of New Jersey and Minnesota.

Meeting of the National Executive Committee of the Union League.

Republican Triumph at the Elections in New Mexico.

Rally of Republicans at Lima, O. —Speech of Governor Hayes.

MR. GROESBECK'S SPEECH.

STEUBENVILLE, O., Sept. 13.—At a Democratic meeting, held to-day in this city, the Hon. Wm. S. Groesbeck addressed the people, saying, after a few introductory remarks:

Important changes have been made in our political condition during the last ten years, and not a few of our very best citizens believe that they have been dangerous. I don't wonder at this. The condition of our people prior to 1861 was one of unprecedented prosperity and happiness. The old sectional animosities of former years had ripened into fraternal feelings, and the wounds had all but healed. The old issues were dead, and neither had seriously invaded the jurisdiction of the other. As our fathers started, so we had gone on—peacefully and steadily, and without any noticeable departure. The government was ever administered in the interest of the people, and the rights of the citizen were guarded with jealous care. The freedom of speech, of the press, freedom of speech, and the like, had been vindicated. I believe the web of our history had been completed and stamped with the approval of Heaven. We sought to administer the Federal Government for general purposes and the State Governments for special and home purposes

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THE WORK OF TAMMANY.

The progress of the exposure of the New York municipal government is rapid and encouraging. One of the main of confused reports we learn that there is probably a division of sentiment in the quartette, and that Sweeney has from the first been opposed to stealing on a large scale, and still refuses to apologize for the tremendous frauds of Tweed and Connolly. It may be that this defection will eventually lead to the thorough investigation of the whole proceedings, and enable the proper authorities to lay bare the transactions of Tammany during the last six years. The reported burglary in the Comptroller's office will probably be connected with the robbery of the vouchers and the bribery of the vouchers are guilded by part of the general scheme of dishonesty. The Comptroller states that the robbery of the vouchers amounts to nothing, because such documents exist in duplicate. If this be the fact, the value of the robbery is not apparent; because the man who knew enough of the business of the office to lay his hands on the vouchers must also have known that they existed in duplicate, and that their loss was of amount to nothing. The story of the robbery is palpably unfounded, and the parties implicated in the affair will be detected. Hall's request for Connolly to resign looks like another "put-up job." In every official act of Connolly, Hall was a participant. They are equally responsible—neither the one more nor less than the other.

The fact that there have been the most stupendous robberies of the public is now conceded; the only denials that are interposed are as to their extent and as to the share of guilt of each of the parties. Tammany stands in the light of a man who objected to the stealing because the amount was too great to be taken at one time, and because the robbery was likely to be found out. While he did not inform the police that his pals were in the house lugging the property, he thought he was protecting himself sufficiently by refusing to actually take part in the robbery until all danger of discovery had passed away. But no one now believes anything that may be said by Hall or Connolly, Tweed or Sweeney; and anything short of a full and thorough disclosure is a mere waste of words and time. The injunction has arrested the sale of one issue of new bonds; the ordinary revenue has been expended, and the City Government must now be run on credit. The moment Tammany ceases to distribute cash, that moment Tammany will be abandoned by those who have lived upon it. The indignation against paying out to have the effect of starving the City Government into some action that will enable the public to reach the truth. The Legislature does not meet until January, four months hence, at which time the Mayor, Comptroller, and Tweed might be legislated out of office, and a provisional government established. But in the meantime the men in office will have complete authority and control, and to the extent of their ability will endeavor to cover up their tracks.

There is, therefore, nothing to be done but to prosecute vigorously by civil and criminal proceedings; to arrest and hold to bail of the most excessive kind; to use money to so hedge Hall, Tweed and Connolly that they cannot escape, cannot go on in their work and must abandon the offices and plunder they hold. It is impossible to investigate the business of the Comptroller's office while personally occupied by Hall as the Mayor. The new Comptroller must be selected by some other person than Mayor Hall. Until these parties surrender the trusts they have abused, the only remedy is to prosecute. Tammany Hall is on trial and Tammany must be broken down and destroyed before there can be any sufficient protection for the future or any truthful history of the past.

THE LA SALLE & CHICAGO RAILWAY.

We have received the following note from a respectable citizen:

To the Editor of The Chicago Tribune:

SIR: Is there to be ignorance of a bold scheme of robbery now attempted to be passed through the Common Council, under the cover of a proposition to lay a way for the Chicago & LaSalle Railroad to enter the city. The line of entrance is kept in the background, until they can, hoodwink enough of the aldermen to vote it in a time of their politics. The pretended design is to get a new competing road into Chicago, and to secure it, they offer to put on a bridge over, glancing at the thing, one readily see that no such road could ever be built. The real scheme is to get the Bloomington road into the city, and the bridge is a mere blind for speculative purposes. They have bought up an old speculative charter. Their ordinance is to be made by Tuesday next, when they expect to be ready to go to Springfield and get the Legislature to ratify it over the heads of the people. Their ordinance is to run from the lake shore, by an inferior one at the junction of Sibley street and the South Branch of the river. If they desire an additional passenger station on the South Branch, they already have the facilities for obtaining it without buying it from the LaSalle & Chicago Company, or asking the Common Council for it.

The real question to be considered is whether the city ought to encourage by proper means the construction of new railways seeking an entrance to Chicago. As nothing is asked in the present case but the right of way through certain streets, this question resolves itself into another, viz., are anybody's rights likely to be impaired, or anybody's property injured, by granting an entrance to said new railway? If anybody's property is to be injured, then are the Constitution of the State and Constitution of the United States which declares that "private property shall not be taken or damaged for public use without due compensation"—a most wise and just provision, which we apprehend may be appealed to not only in this case, but by the property-holders of South Chicago before we have objected to the laying of a new railway track in that locality. If anyone can show that the proposed track is a damage to them, let the case be presented before a Board of Review, and the proposed line of a Chicago railway, of course, be better protected by private enterprise with the property to be taken and damaged, than to have the question of the construction of new railways left to the caprice of the Common Council, and this we should advise to be whenever possible, that is to say, proper notice is given to property holders of the proposed line of a railway to about to be built which will "carry Chicago people to the suburban towns." If Chicago people want to go to the suburban towns they have a right to do so, and nobody has a right to prevent them, either by building a wall about the city, or by refusing them facilities for reaching the suburban towns.

It appears to us that the city has not reached the point where it can afford to refuse proper facilities to new railways to enter its limits. Whether the facilities proposed in the ordinance to which our correspondent refers are proper or otherwise, we do not know, as it has not been published. There is nothing inherently vicious or wrong in allowing a new railway to enter the city; and the clause of the new constitution which we have quoted removes, or at least participates the hardship which was formerly opposed to the benefit to be gained by granting the right to use public streets for the movements of trains.

The right to operate a horse railway in Wells street, which is said to be a part of the proposed ordinance, depends upon altogether different principles, and here the most timid caution should be exercised by the Councils. There is already one horse-railway track in Wells street. Although it is not now in use, it is liable to be used, and it would be altogether unwise to allow another to be laid down by the side of it.

It is not true that any "pressure" has been brought to bear upon this news paper, either to remain silent or to favor the proposed ordinance. We have no other wish in the premises than to have the rights of all parties, and especially those of the poorer classes along the line of the proposed railway, fully protected.

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THE NORTHWEST.

DIAMOND.

Jerome Woodall, of Macon, had his wife in a shocking manner, for which he was fined $30, and given leave to emigrate to Omaha, leaving his wife a deed for his property.

A newly-teacher and a school-teacher, both young ladies, in Tama County, drove March into Toledo, and were married. They will go back to their vocations. They were earning money with which to obtain a better education.

The Presbyterian Sunday-School Aid Society, of Illinois, has issued a circular calling upon the Sunday-schools of the State to contribute to the support of missionary Sunday-schools in destitute localities. Forty-two new schools were established in four months.

Quinn, on cause on hearing of the appeal case of Brough, for days as Minister to Vienna, has addressed to Thiers, declining to accept the appointment and observing its untrustworthiness. The President, however, persisted in the appointment.

David Darke, the oldest law-book seller in New York State, died on the 8th, at the age of 90. He was a native of Yorkshire, England, but came to this country when a boy, and has been a resident of Rochester for several years, and at the time of his death was President of the East River Bank.

In Wisconsin the number of persons in the penitentiary at present is 220, of whom 70 are from Milwaukee. Of the whole number 70 are foreigners, 100 are native born, and 50 are colored. Of the whole number 70 are under twenty years of age, 100 between twenty and thirty, and 50 between thirty and forty.

The Chicago Tribune appears to think it a very good policy for railroads to pay their debts, on the ground that, as a rule, the money borrowed to be used in the purchase is worth more interest than the debt bears. Thus, if a railroad company draws an interest of 5 per cent, according to this philosophy, it is a bad policy for it to pay off the money of the country is worth more than that. But if it pays off the money, it has to borrow it, and if it can borrow this 5 per cent interest, we have disposed of the case which is worth 6, and have no use for the difference. But if it can borrow it, and keeps that

UNITARIAN CONFERENCE.

Preliminary Meetings at Hinsdale on Tuesday and Yesterday.

Protestantism in France—Address by Rev. M. Coquerel.

Report of the Bridewell Committee—Remarks of Dr. Collyer.

TUESDAY'S SESSION.

The Chicago Conference of Unitarian Churches had its preliminary meeting at Hinsdale on Tuesday evening, the 12th. The little church, adapting the liberal sentiment and energies of Hinsdale, was filled with a congregation of appreciating and intelligent people. The usual order of exercises was observed in reading from the Scriptures, prayer, and singing. Rev. W. G. Eliot, D. D., gave a short address, recounting scenes and incidents of his visit to Paris within the last year, and his meeting with the Rev. A. Coquerel, the prominent Protestant minister and liberal preacher of France.

Mr. Coquerel, to whom Mr. Eliot referred, being present, was introduced to the audience, and gave a fascinating and interesting address concerning the need of a liberal Protestantism for France. Mr. Coquerel spoke of the religious growth of France, and declined, and further, particularly upon the failure that the Papal dogmas and doctrines of all religions are to-day in the old water mark. "Why is it," he said in the old water mark? "Why is it that Catholicism is not being built up? Why is it that Catholicism, when he gave the opening sermon, and in this place there is not a single church

EPISCOPAL CONVENTION.

Summary of Bishop Whitehouse's Annual Address.

Confirmations—Church Institutions—The Rendering of the Services.

The Bishop and Mr. Cheney.—The Trials of the Church.

How Collections and Assessments Shall be Taken up.

Purity of the Church and Piety of its Members.

MORNING SESSION.

The Episcopal Convention came to order yesterday morning at 10 o'clock, the usual morning services having been brought to a close, Bishop Whitehouse in the chair.

On motion, the report of the Committee on the Admission of Churches, recommending that the Church of the Good Shepherd, Calumet Valley, be admitted to the convention, was adopted.

Bishop Whitehouse made a few remarks, referring to the Church of the Epiphany. Few, he thought, could appreciate the work which had reported last convention. In all its relations, from the death of the lamented Dr. Clarke, it had suffered severely in a pecuniary point of view. The Bishop did not wish to be admitted on any ground of absolute necessity, but would like it to be referred to the Board of Beneficence. It was, on motion, so referred.

THE ANNUAL ADDRESS.

The Bishop then delivered the annual address, of which the following is a summary: He regretted to be obliged to [illegible] been compelled to [illegible] Church, and to [illegible] Church. He was sorry to be [illegible] but he was not to be [illegible] had some meeting on the synod he had to make, or the subjects he wished to lay before the Church for consideration.

The address opened with a greeting to the convention, and a review of the past year in [illegible] terms. There might seem, he said, little to [illegible] the year had been one of healing to the Church; from the Church of the populous [illegible] of Christ Holiday a prayer went up for its part, could not well be. If the [illegible] through which the Church had quietly passed, it certainly [illegible] had been a time of [illegible] to [illegible] he had not been able to recognize it, [illegible] of the [illegible] upon the unswerving confidence of the Church in the Lord Jesus Christ, whether there would not be a growing [illegible] in the [illegible] which could not be reflected in the synagogue. The conference of the Church [illegible]

Gospel truths were in unison with human [illegible] and [illegible] the [illegible] brought into actual contact with the [illegible] world. The key facts he would lay before the convention, and the [illegible] of God's time and have such voice of the future.

Finally, he would pay a tribute to the dead. Of these he mentioned [illegible] Bishop Clark, Dr. Charles F. Clarke, of Geneva, who had been for [illegible] health, had [illegible] to the active ministry of the Church. The death of Rev. Dr. Charles Hall, of Connecticut, which had severed the [illegible] with the former. Catchers by death in the full enjoyment of the strongest and most vigorous [illegible] of [illegible] Rev. Dr. Hall, who, after a long life of [illegible] laid his head at last amid a good example of God's mercy.

SYNODICAL VISITATION.

Then followed a summary of the more important acts of the Bishop since the last session of the convention. There was something peculiarly appropriate in the fact that the Bishop's first visitation after the period of [illegible]